corrective action has been initiated.

There is a Committee at the Headquarters, under an Officer of Additional Secretary's level to monitor implementation of Government instructions on Reservations. Meetings of the Committee at regular intervals arc being held at the Headquarters to monitor the implementation of these instructions.

Other steps taken to further streamline the system include:

(i) Reiteration of instructions for completing the Rosters and submitting the compliance report by 31.3.1996.

(ii) Accountability for keeping the rosters up-to date.

(iii) An Official with wide experience of handling reservation policy has been made inchargc of SCT Cell of the Department of Telecommunications Head-quarters.

Making ricc-shclling. free of licence

*351. SHRI BHUPINDER SINGH MANN: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that ricc-shclling has been made free of licence;

(b) if so, whether levy on rice shelling has also been removed; and

(c) if n>^;, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI K.P. SINGH DEO): (a) The Ministry of Food Processing Industries has introduced a bill in the Parliament for the repeal of Rice Milling Industry (Regulation) Act, 1958. When this bill is passed, any person will be free to install a rice mill without any permit/licence in any state of the country.

(b) and (c) Even after the Rice Milling Industry is dcliccnscd, the levy system for rice milling industry will continue, as levy on rice is essential for the procurement of rice for the Central Pool in order to meet the requirements of the Public Distribution System/Revamped Public Distribution System.

Expanding Communications Network in Hill Districts of Uttar Pradesh

*352. SHRI RAJ NATH SINGH: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whehter Government have made any study to expand the network of communications in the eight hill districts of Uttar Pradesh;

(b) what is the number of telephone exchanges operating in this area, district-wise;

(c) whether there is any proposal to increase the number of such exchanges; and

(d) if so, the details thereof; ani* if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATION (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) Yes, Sir, study has been made to expand the communications net work eight hill districts of Uttar Pradesh.

(b) The number of telephone exchanges operating in this area district-wise is enclosed in statmcnt-I *(See* below)

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The detailed proposals of the new exchanges to be opened during 1995-96 in these eight hill districts are given in Statement II.

Statement - I

SI. No.	Name of District	No. of Exchanges Operating
1	2	3
1.	Almora	32
2.	Chamoli	31
3.	Dchradun	24
4.	Nainital	55

1	2	3
5.	Pauri	31
6.	Pithoragarii	22
7.	Tehri	30
8.	Uttar Kashi	11

Statement--II

A number "of new exchanges are to be opened during 1995-96 in these 8 hill districts.

i. 10 K new Tech. at Dehradun.

2. 2K E-10-B RLU at IIP Dehradun

3 IK E-10-B RLU at Ciementown, Dehradun.

4. 128P CDOT at Lamgondi distt. Chamoli. (Work completed).

5. 128P CDOT at Gongotri, distt. Uitarkashi (Work completed).

6. 128P CDOT at Maithan, distt. Chamoli.

7. 12SP CDOT at Gaja distt. Tehri.

8. 128P CDOT at Jamnikhal, distt. Tehri.

9. 12SP CDOT at Bachhelikhat, distt. Tehri.

10. 128P CDOT at Paukhal, distt. Pauri (Gwl.).

11. 128P CDOT at Kandakhat, distt. Pauri (Gwl.).

128P CDOT's will be installed subject to the availability of equipment and funds.

ख़ाद्य प्रसंस्करण क्षेत्र में विद्यमान विनियमों के संबंध में अभ्यावेदन

*353. **श्री मूलचन्द मीणा**:

श्री अजीत जोगी:

क्या ख़ाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि**:**

(क) क्या विदेशी कंपनियों से खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योगों के क्षेत्र में विनियमों को विदेशों में लागू नियमों के अनुरूप बनाने हेतु अभ्यावेदन प्राप्त हुए हैं;और

(ख) यदि हां,तो इस संबंध में सरकार की क्या प्रतिक्रया हैं?

ख़ाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री के.पी.सिंह देव):

(क) जी नहीं।

(ख) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

Commissions of Enquiry Functioning in Delhi

*354. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to stae:

(a) the number of Commissions of Enquiry constituted by Central Government which are functioning in Delhi as on date and the names of the members of each commission and the terms of reference;

(b) by when each Commission is expected to submit its report;

(c) whether any Commission of Enquiry has submitted its report to Government;

(d) if so, when and what action has been taken; and

(e) if no action has been taken by Government the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S.B. CHAVAN): (a) to (e) Under the Commissions of Inquiry act, 1952 Commissions are set up by the various administrative Ministries of the Government of India and the information is not centrally maintained. Commissions of Inquiry are set up by the Government for the purpose of making an inquiry into any definite matter of public importance and performing such functions as may be specified in the notification, only after a resolution to this effect is passed by each House of the Parliament. Similarly, the report of Commission of Inquiry together with a memorandum of action taken thereon is also required to be laid by the Government before each House of the Parliament. As such, the information is regularly placed by the Government before each House of the Parliament from time to time.